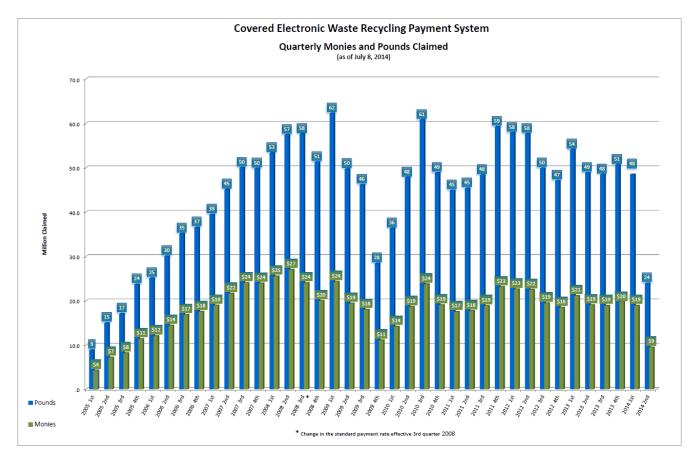
Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Program - Historical CEW Recycling Claim Volumes

CalRecycle tracks the volume of covered electronic waste (CEW) recovered and recycled within the program through data submitted along with recycling payment claims. The depiction of claim volumes in the below chart reflects the general growth trends of the program since its inception in January 2005 on a quarterly basis. Factors affecting the fluctuating volumes have potentially included the lowered payment rate (effective July 2008), economic uncertainty, the digital television broadcast transition in first half of 2009, disruptions in downstream materials markets, and the widespread availability of CEW recovery and recycling opportunities over the past nine years that may have depleted much of the readily available stockpiles of legacy technologies.

Most notably, in October 2009, cathode ray tube (CRT) glass market disruptions involving Mexican processors significantly impacted the volume of claims submitted in and immediately after 4th quarter 2009. (A condition of submitting a payment claim is that all CRT glass derived from recycling CEW is shipped to an authorized destination.) However, participating collectors and recyclers continued overall CEW recovery and recycling activities and the volume of processed and claimed CEW rebounded.

Changes in the make-up of CEW entering the recovery and recycling program due to evolving video technologies may affect the future weight claimed, as heavy CRT devices give way to lighter flat panels, but the net cost of processing such varied devices have yet to be clearly determined. It is anticipated that per pound net costs will likely be higher due to increased material handling labor and lowered recovered material value.



Note: Recyclers are required by regulation to submit claims within 45 days of the end of a claim reporting month, which leads to a delay in the tracking of program volumes. For instance, June 2012 claims are due before until August 15, 2012.